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SUBJ: FY-1977 IVP NOMINATION

1. NOMINATE AS FY-1977 IV PROGRAM CANDIDATE COL. SERGIO BADIOLA BROBERG, ARMY COLONEL , DIRECTOR OF CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS IN SECRETARIAT GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT. PAST POSITIONS: COMMANDER OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGIMENT N0.1: AIDE TO PRESIDENT ALLENDE: PROFESSOR AT WAR ACADEMY: SECRETARY TO CHILEAN MILITARY MISSION IN WASHINGTON.

2. PDOB: VALPARAISO CHILE AUGUST 25, 1930.

3. TRAVEL ABROAD: TO U.S: 1970-71 ON OFFICIAL MISSION. OTHER COUNTRIES: 1960 CANAL ZONE (FORT GULICK) TO ATTEND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COURSE.

4. PREVIUS U.S. GOVERNMENT GRANT: NONE.

5. ESCORT-INTERPRETER WILL BE REQUIRED.

6. CONSULATE WILL DETERMINE HSI VISA ELIGIBILITY ASAP.

7. REASON FOR NOMINATION. PROMOTED TO COLONEL A YEAR AGO, BADIOLA SEEMS TO BE ON THE FAST TRACK WITHIN THE CHILEAN ARMY. HE HAS HAD A SERIES OF PRESTIGIOUS ASSIGNMENTS (AIDE TO ARMY COMMANDER, SECRETARY TO CHILEAN MILITARY MISSION IN THE U.S. AIDE TO PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, REGIMENTAL COMMANDER) AND APPEARS TO BE ON THE WAY TO
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FLAG RANK. EARLY THIS YEAR HE WAS PUT IN A POSITION OF

HIGH POLITICAL IMPORTANCE: DIRECTOR OF CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS
IN THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT'S SECRETARIAT GENERAL OF GOVERNMENT.

IN THIS POSITION, COL. BADIOLA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
DEVELOPMENT AND FUNCTIONING OF A TRANSMISSION BELT BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE -- SPECIFICALLY IN THE AREAS
OF YOUTH, WOMEN, CULTURE, AND THE VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL,
TRADE, AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS. IN THE ABSENCE OF
POLITICAL ACTIVITY, AND THE OR "RECESS" OF
POLITICAL PARTIES, THE ORGANIZATION SERVES AS THE PRINCIPAL
LINK BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND THE BASE. COL. BADIOLA THUS
IS IN A CLEARLY POLITICAL POSITION OF SIGNIFICANT IMPORTANCE
TO THE GOVERNMENT. MOREOVER, THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT
HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTS WITH A PRIVATE, NATIONAL
MOVEMENT ORGANIZED TO PROVIDE CIVILIAN SUPPORT TO THE
GOVERNMENT. CHILE APPEARS TO BE MOVING TOWARD CORPORATISM
IN ITS INSTITUTIONS AND POLITICS, AND THIS IS A KEY
POSITION.

BADIOLA PROFITED FROM HIS YEAR AND A HALF IN THE UNITED
STATES. HE TRAVELLED FAIRLY WIDELY AND MET MANY AMERICANS,
BUT OF COURSE HE DID NOT HAVE THE KIND OF EXPOSURE TO U.S.
INSTITUTIONS THAT THE IVP CAN PROVIDE. A VISIT WOULD GIVE
HIM A MUCH BETTER PERSPECTIVE OF THE UNITED STATES IN
GENERAL, U.S.-CHILEAN RELATIONS, AND THE FUNCTIONING OF
DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS.

8. POST OBJECTIVES OF U.S. VISIT: (A) IMPRESS ON BADIOLA THE
STRENGTH AND FUNCTIONING OF THE DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL PROCESS.
(2) IMPRESS ON HIM THE ADVANTAGES OF THE PLURALISTIC
APPROACH TO THE POLITICAL PROCESS. (3) ACQUAINT HIM
WITH THE BASES OF U.S. FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY, PARTI-
CULARLY WITH REGARD TO LATIN AMERICA IN GENERAL AND CHILE
SPECIFICALLY.
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